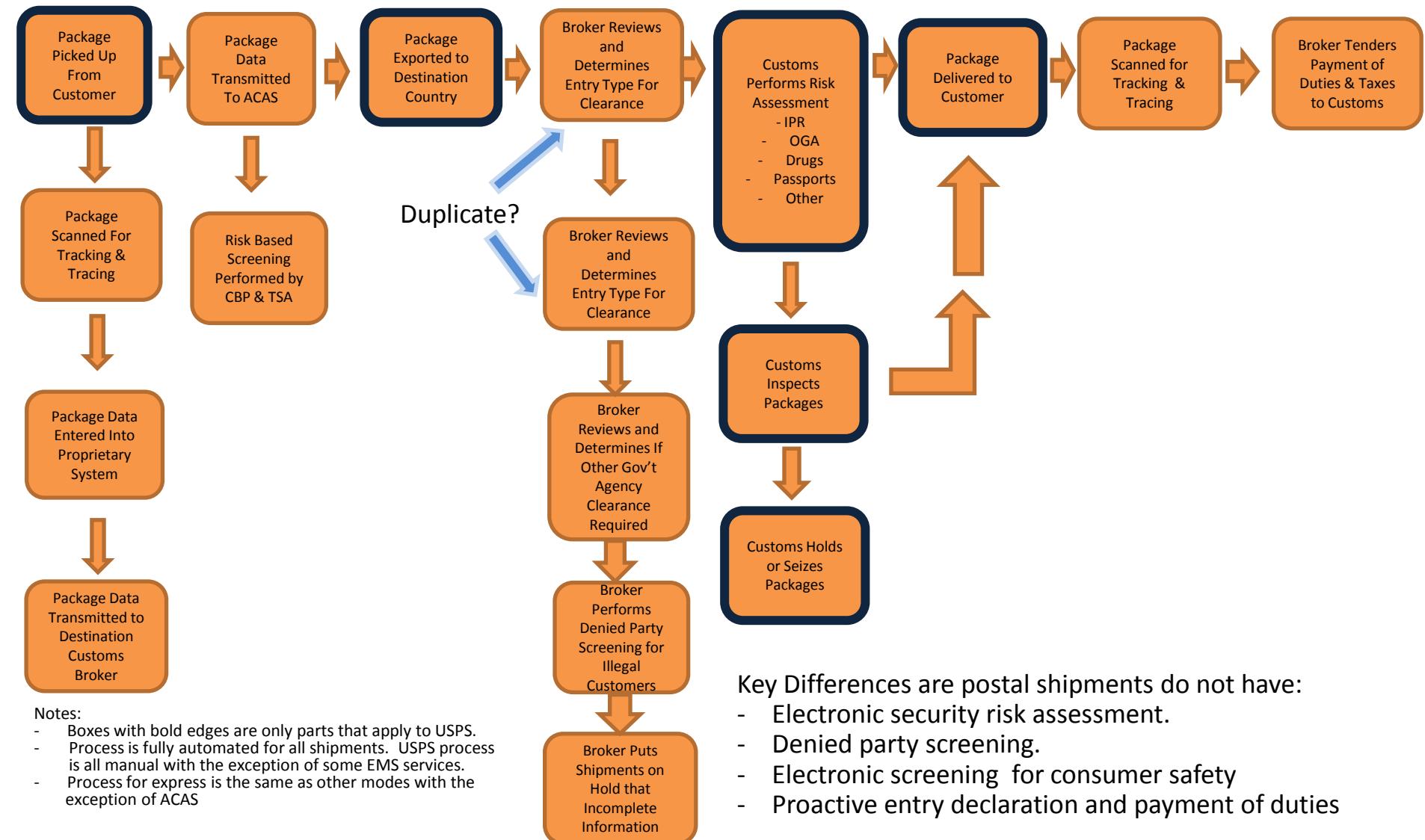


Private Sector Express Customs Process

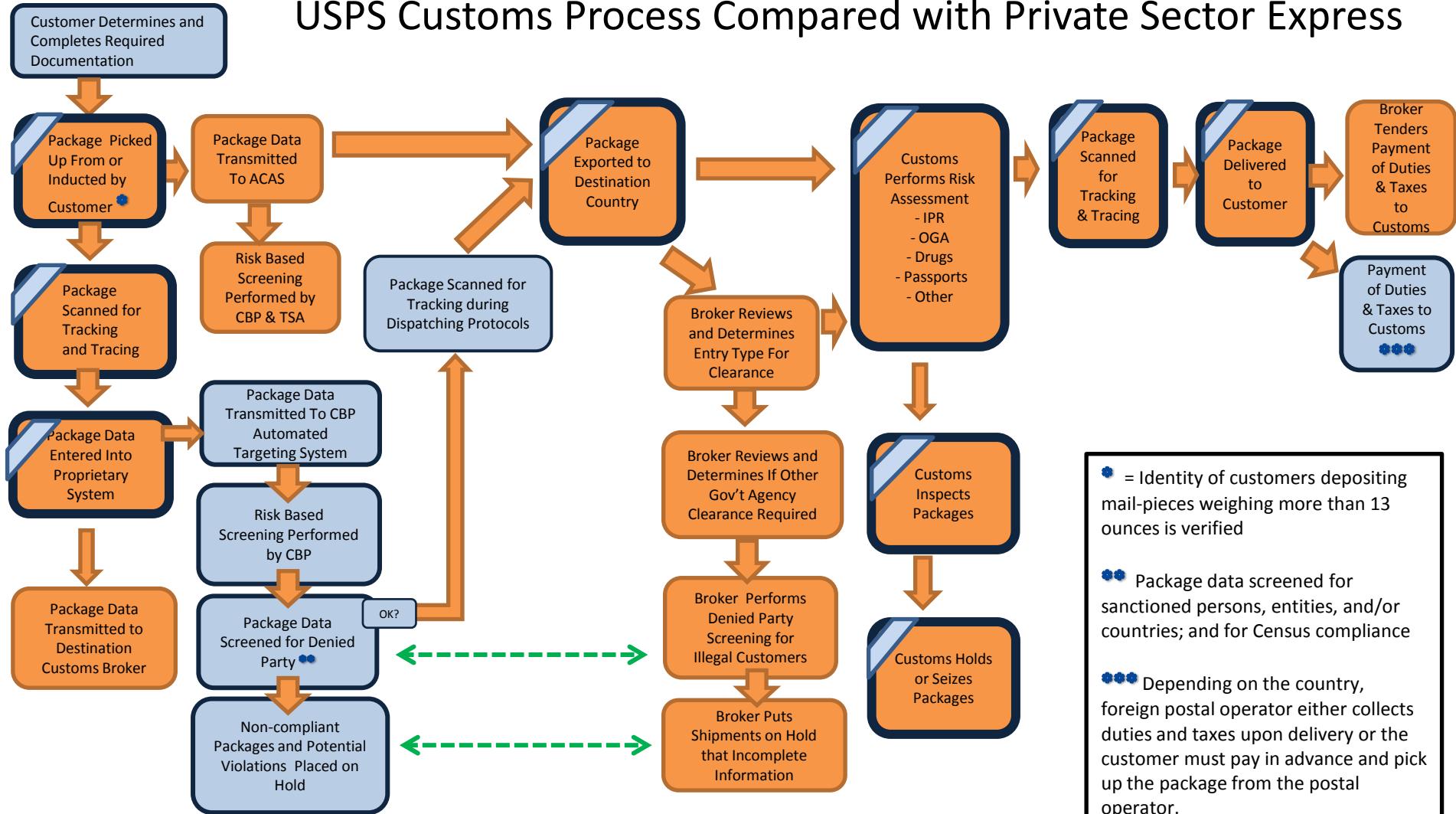


Version Presented by Norm Schenk during Advisory Committee Meeting
Monday, September 29, 2014

Comments on USPS Customs Process

- To assist in the enforcement of federal laws, the U.S. Postal Service and U.S. Postal Inspection Service use electronically generated customs declarations information to identify potential violators, and then share such information with other federal agencies, including Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), and Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC), to facilitate those agencies' missions.
- Please note that *all* outbound international packages are screened electronically (and physically as necessary) by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service prior to dispatching to air carriers to satisfy:
 - U.S. individual and entity List-Based sender and recipient restrictions,
 - U.S. Census Bureau (Foreign Trade Regulations) filing requirements, and
 - Embargo/content control policies.
- Non-compliant packages are referred to CBP and/or returned to the sender.

USPS Customs Process Compared with Private Sector Express



Key

- Orange boxes with bold edges and blue sash apply to procedures for both USPS and Private Sector Express operators
- Blue boxes apply to USPS only
- Orange Boxes without bold are specific to Private Sector Express

Notes:

- USPS customs processes apply to all Express (PMEI), Parcel (PMI), and Packet (FCPIS) items with a Customs declaration form

Key Differences are postal shipments do not have:

- Electronic security risk assessment.
- Denied party screening.
- Electronic screening for consumer safety
- Proactive entry declaration and payment of duties

● = Identity of customers depositing mail-pieces weighing more than 13 ounces is verified

●● = Package data screened for sanctioned persons, entities, and/or countries; and for Census compliance

●●● Depending on the country, foreign postal operator either collects duties and taxes upon delivery or the customer must pay in advance and pick up the package from the postal operator.